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Attorney Docket No. 065691-0179

Applicants: Annie MEINIEL *et al.*
Title: NOVEL PEPTIDES AND POLYPEPTIDES USEFUL
FOR REGENERATING THE NERVOUS SYSTEM
Application No.: 09/462,909
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Examiner: Sharon L. Turner
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2002 (Paper No. 11), please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

In the Claims

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please substitute the original claims 1-15, with the following rewritten versions of the same claim, as amended. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) A peptide having at least the following amino acid sequence:

-W-S-A₁-C-S-A₂-C-G- (SEQ ID NO:1)

in which A₁ and A₂ are amino acid sequences comprising 1 to 5 amino acids, with the exception of the peptides selected from the group consisting of:

-W-S-P-C-S-V-T-C-G- (SEQ ID NO:2),

-W-S-S-C-S-V-T-C-G- (SEQ ID NO:3),